

# College Rosters Sport Area Stars

# The Court Jester

By BILL CAMERON

The roster of Oberverland college athletes appears plentiful as the '72 college gridiron season begins to unfold.

A total of seven area footballers have made their way to Western Michigan University's roster with six Oberverland names appearing on "Bo" Schembechler's University of Michigan squad, and one on the Northern Michigan University team.

Bob Thornbladh, Craig Mutch and Mike Day are the key prospects in the Wolverine '72 attack flanked by Dave Brandon, Jon Cederberg and Art Feduk.

Thornbladh is a 6-2, 224 pound junior from Plymouth High who had a strong sophomore season before injuring his knee. He gained 124 yards in 30 attempts and tallied four touchdowns.

### THE PLYMOUTH GRAD IS



JEFF KIND

expected to provide a great fullback punch with another junior, Ed Stushworth. Thurston High's All-State, All-American Craig Mutch was ready for a strong year last season at the linebacker slot until injuring his knee against Northwestern in the opening game.

Mutch has excellent quickness and the converted running back is expected to be one of the keys in Schembechler's defense.

MIKE DAY is a 6-1, 201 pound linebacker from Livonia Bentley and will be gunning for a linebacker position along with Mutch. The Wolverine junior is expected to provide great strength at the outside position.

Livonia's Art Feduk was All-City at Detroit Divine Child and the Michigan junior has moved to tight end after going both ways as a freshman and sophomore. The 6-2, 211 pounder saw little action because of wealth of talent at that position but is expected to break into the starting role this season.

Plymouth High sports another Wolverine in Schembechler's lineup in junior tailback Jon Cederberg. The 5-10, 177 pounder has been held back because of size but after a switch from defensive back to offensive

back, is ready to step in at any time. A South Lyon grad but now Plymouth resident Dave Brandon rounds out the Michigan attack from Oberverland. The 6-3, 202 pound junior checks in at the defensive end slot.

NORTHERN MICHIGAN University sports one area grinder in Jeff Kind, junior defensive back from Livonia Franklin High.

The six foot, 185 pounder was a starter his sophomore year after coming to NNU when Buffalo dropped football. He worked with the No. 1 unit in the spring and also handled the punting.

Seven area footballers are listed on Western Michigan's Bronco roster, three seniors, two sophomores and two freshmen.

SOUTHFIELD LATHROP'S Weinberg twins spark the frosh with Garry and Larry both in the defensive halfback slots. Each weighs in at 185 pounds with Garry standing 5-10 and Larry an inch better at 5-11.

Garry played cornerback at Lathrup High and was all-league and All-Oakland County selection as a senior.

Larry twice led his No. 2 state ranked team in rushing and totaled 792 yards in his senior season with nine touchdowns. He twice received All-

State honorable mention at fullback and cornerback. Redford Union graduate Bob Pokorny is in his fourth season in a Bronco uniform. The 6-3, 241 pound tackle achieved All-MAC second team honors in 1971, graded at 68 per cent on his blocking with 78 per cent effort at Toledo and 78 per cent performance at Miami.

POKORNY EARNED the starting assignment midway through his sophomore season and is moving to the right side this fall to give the offense more strength.

Bud Daniels is the next senior in the Observer attack. The 6-2, 235 pound defensive tackle from Livonia Stevensen High will provide Western

with its best depth in recent years.

Bentley High's Bruce Nederveld rounds out the senior group. The six foot, 195 pounder was selected by coaches as "most improved" defensive performer in spring practice. He played guard and linebacker as prep and was all-league on the 1969 squad. Rick Palmer is a sophomore guard from Garden City East and weighs in at 245 pounds and stands 6-5. Palmer played defensive tackle his frosh season but has made the move to offense.

Churchill '71 grad Keith Armstrong, completes the Oberverland card. The 6-0, 165 pound sophomore is listed on the No. 2 offense in the flanker position.



BOB THORNBLOTH



CRAIG MUTCH



MIKE DAY



ART FEDUK

## Redford Fisher Loses, 5-3

Redford's Fisher American baseball squad (ages 11-12) was knocked out of the Bronco Tournament in Lafayette, Ind., in a 5-3 loss to Lafayette. Redford Township coached by Ron May, fell into the losers bracket in the first game with a 3-1 defeat to Decatur, Ill., but topped Crest Hill, Ill., 5-4, to meet Lafayette.

Decatur went on to win the tourney over Lafayette with the Redford team sporting the top batsman in Mark Rowley who connected for nine hits in 11 at bats. Ron Stefan and Greg Temple worked for Redford in the defeat by Decatur with starter Stefan suffering the loss. The pitching duo allowed five hits but each gave up a run tripper.

REDFORD OPENED the scoring with one in the top of the second inning when

Rowley singled, stole second and scampered in on a hit by Chris Huffmaster.

Decatur notched it at one all in the second, scored the deciding run in the third and added one in the fourth with Redford held to just two hits by Rowley and Huffmaster. Brady Kalem, Greg May and Temple put their pitching talents together to keep Redford alive with a 5-4 win over Crest Hill with reliever Temple picking up the win.

Redford scored one in the second when Rowley singled, stole second and third and dashed home on a bunt by Kerry Hackenberry. The Township crew made it 2-0 in the third on a two-bagger by James Lyskawa and singled by Rowley but Crest Hill bounced back to make it a 3-2 contest in the fourth.

Another Crest Hill tally made it 4-2 in the top of the sixth.

inning on a single by John Babecek, walks to Mike Craddick and Stefan and a sacrifice fly by Temple.

Redford capitalized on its opponents mistakes to capture victory in the last of the seventh. Rowley was safe on an error, and stole second. He took third on a grounder. Tim Merkel followed with a base on balls and a balk followed to score Rowley with the tying run and Babecek was safe on an error to give Redford the game.

Manager May went through four hurlers in the next game but couldn't come up with a stopper and Redford fell out of the township competition to Lafayette.

STEFAN STARTED for Redford and was relieved by May, Mike Birman and Mike Craddick with Birman taking the defeat.

Redford opened with a two-run explosion in the first when Maszkowa singled and moved

to second on a Temple sacrifice. May singled to score Maszkowa, stole second and scored when Rowley singled.

Lafayette scored one in the

fourth and four in the fifth to all but sew up victory. Redford scored only once in the seventh on hits by Rowley and Merkel.

So who is the kingpin golfer at the Belk homestead these days ... naturally Tom. Neither his father, Bill, who is a mutual department employee at the Detroit Race Course, nor his brother have hit the cup in one stroke and each has played for a long time.

Wayne State University's Second Annual Capital City Classic Dec. 21-22, 1972, in Columbus, O., include Buffalo, Valparaiso and host Capital University.

When Wayne State University center-fielder Bob Solomon tied a Tartar season record with his 30th hit against Chicago State, he turned the trick with his ninth career

cap.

The Warmup: Whenever two tennis players step on the court they generally loosen up by hitting for five or 10 minutes. Unfortunately 95 per cent of tennis players don't understand the importance of this short period. The remaining five per cent are tournament players who use this period for several purposes. (By the way, the rule states a five minute warmup period.)

First of all, as the name implies, the warmup is to loosen muscles, just as a pitcher in baseball warms up before he gets in a game. The two players hit from the baseline to groove their forehands and backhands.

Then each player moves up to the net to practice a few volleys and hit a few overheads. Then each player takes several practice serves. This is the prescribed method of the warmup.

While all this is going on, the astute player is watching his opponent. Does he have trouble with his backhand? Does he volley well? Can he hit an overhead? What kind of a serve does he have?

Your best bet is to try these different tactics the first few games of the first set to see what works for you. Remember, the final game score is usually a result of which player made the fewest errors.

### Northville Open

SOFTBALL STANDINGS	W	L
Livonia	6	2
Plymouth	6	2
Farmington Hills	4	3
Northville	4	4
Warred Lake	1	6
South Lyon	1	6

SCORES
Livonia 3, Plymouth 0
Northville 9, Warred Lake 7
Northville 7, South Lyon 5
Northville 6, South Lyon 5
SUNDAY'S GAMES
South Lyon vs Warred Lake, 3:30 p.m.
Warred Lake vs South Lyon, 4:45 p.m.
Northville vs Plymouth, 6 p.m.
Plymouth vs Northville, 7:15 p.m.
Farmington vs Livonia, 8:30 p.m.
Livonia vs Farmington, 9:45 p.m.

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